

DECISION RECORD OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER DECISIONS MEETING FOR SOCIAL CARE & HEALTH

12TH MAY 2015

Office of the Director of Social Care, Health and Housing, County Hall,
Carmarthen

1:30 P.M. – 2.00 P.M.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER	PORTFOLIO
Councillor J. Tremlett	Social Care & Health;

The following officers were also in attendance:-

Mr. J. Morgan	Director of Social Care, Health and Housing;
Mr. D. Eldred	Group Accountant;
Mr. M.S. Davies	Democratic Services Officer.

DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTERESTS

The Executive Board Member, having considered the reports on the under-mentioned items and taken into account the views of Local Members and interested parties where applicable, made the following decisions:

Item No.	Subject/Decision
1.	<p>DECISION NOTICE - 9TH JANUARY 2015</p> <p>RESOLVED that the decisions record of the meeting held on the 9th January 2015 be signed as a correct record.</p>
2.	<p>LOCAL AUTHORITY RESIDENTIAL CARE - STANDARD CHARGE FOR 2015/16</p> <p>The Executive Board Member considered a report on Local Authority residential care standard charges for 2015/16.</p> <p>The Group Accountant advised that all adults in residential accommodation were required to contribute to the cost of their care. Where they had sufficient resources they were required to pay the full cost of their accommodation, known as the Standard Charge which was calculated annually based on the full cost to the authority of providing the accommodation.</p> <p>He advised that the overall budgeted costs for running the Authority's residential homes, together with the number of beds available and the occupancy levels were the determining factors in calculating the annual Standard Charge. For 2015/16 there had been a significant reduction in the number of mainstream beds (4%) and this, together with an increase in staff costs [although partially offset by PBB efficiency savings of £100k together with no inflationary uplift for Supplies & services], had led to an 8.05% increase in the charge. The proposed increase of 1.27% in the EMI bed rate was due to the increase in staffing costs.</p> <p>The Executive Board Member, in response to a query, was informed that the increases were proposed in order to recover costs and not to implement these increases would require funding to be sourced from other areas.</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>2.1 that the Standard Charge for Local Authority Older People residential care homes be increased from £540.37 to £583.88 for Mainstream beds and from £759.13 to £768.78 for EMI beds;</p> <p>2.2 that for residents placed by the Authority into its own Local Authority Homes the new rates be effective from 29th June 2015 and that for those residents placed in the Authority's by other Local Authorities the new charges to those authorities be introduced with effect from the 6th April</p>

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